



Hello Pottawatomie County!

This is Daniel Skucius, your new 4-H youth development agent. In this newsletter you'll find information about various local and state 4-H or youth development related events. My goal is to release a newsletter each month to help you stay informed and on top of events and deadlines. Please let me know of anything you think might be helpful to include as we look to maintain and continually improve the newsletter!

Thank you all for the opportunity to be your agent, let's go have a great spring and summer!

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## **Local News and Events**

### **Hazardous Occupation Training (tractor safety)**

It's the Law!! If you are 14 or 15 years old, you must complete a Tractor Safety Training Course to work for anyone other than your parent or legal guardian. Youth 16 and older are welcome to attend to improve safety skills. Training to be held at KanEquip on **May 28 and 29**.

Pre-registration is required by May 22nd on the Pottawatomie Extension website, or contact Jeanna Haug at 785-457-3319.

### **Rock Creek Royal Spring Show**

For those looking for a local sheep, goat, or beef show, the Rock Creek Royal Spring Livestock Show is right around the corner! This event is being held at the Pott. County fair grounds on April 20th. Search for the "Rock Creek Royal Spring Livestock Show" on Facebook to find out more.



## **Local News and Events cont.**

### **It's time to Rock The Springs!**

Pottawatomie County will once again be attending Rock Springs 4-H camp with the “Purple Power Pack” group. **Camp will run from Saturday, June 8th-June 11th**, with counselor training on Friday, June 7th. Camp is a great way for youth to grow, learn, connect, and have fun!

Find out more and print registration on the county extension website:

*[www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu](http://www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu)*

**Registration for campers and counselors is due by May 7th**

### **Lamb/Meat Goat/Swine/Bucket Calf info**

Please note that for the lamb/meat goat weigh in and swine/bucket calf tagging on May 8th (5-7pm) that we will have a new traffic pattern. Please find the new traffic pattern attached to the end of this newsletter.

If possible, please bring bucket calves to be tagged. If you cannot, please contact Daniel or Shannon ASAP. We can tag on-site, but prefer them brought to the office. The tagging deadline is May 15.

### **New Agent Meet and Greet / Council Meeting**

On Monday April 22nd, we will be having a meet and greet for the new Pottawatomie County 4-H agent, Daniel Skucius. Please feel free to stop by, visit, and enjoy light refreshments. This meet and greet will be followed by the 4-H council meeting.

### **Baby Sitting Clinic**

Friday, May 31st 11:30—4 p.m. Wamego Senior Center, 501 Ash Street, Wamego

ATTENTION: 11 TO 15 YEAR OLDS!

Plan to attend a fun day to prepare yourself as a babysitter in the community. Items to be discussed include the following: Safety, parent rules, ages/stages, nutrition and snacks, and activity ideas.

Registration deadline: May 17, 2019 with a \$10 fee, register with the Pott County extension office by calling 785-457-3319.

(includes lunch, tote bag, handouts, etc.)



## **Local News and Events cont.**

### **Kid's Cooking School**

Join us for the Kids' Cooking School. You'll play games, learn basic cooking skills and sample your very own recipe creations. Dates are **Monday, June 17, Tuesday, June 18, Thursday June 20, and Friday June 21st** (please note only 1 session will be offered this year, but youth will attend all 4 days)

Where: ST. MARYS HIGH SCHOOL FACS ROOM, ST. MARYS, KS.

Who: Youth ages 10 - 12 years old                      Time: 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Youth ages 8 - 9 years old                              Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

To Register: visit [pottawatomie.ksu.edu](http://pottawatomie.ksu.edu) and click on the Cooking School link.

Cost IS FREE!! **DEADLINE: Monday, May 27th** (Strict Registration required limited space)

If you have questions call 785-457-3319. Sponsored by: Pottawatomie Co. Ext. SNAP-ED Program

### **Fair Award Sponsorships**

Fair award letters were picked up by club leaders at the end of March. As the letters are shared with your club members, please do your best to hand deliver ( if possible) to help us make sure we have a great fair! If hand delivery is not possible, please send them out in the mail as soon as possible.

As well, we still need a few sponsors for those who may be interested in supporting county fair awards. The awards still needing a \$20 sponsor are: Sketching, Drawing & Painting Jr.

Sketching, Drawing & Painting Sr.

Horse Jr. Showman


Rabbit Jr. Showman

Dairy Goat Sr. Showman

If you or someone you know may be interested in being sponsor, please contact the extension office (785-437-3319)

## **State Opportunities**





## Campference

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is excited to plan and host 4-H Campference!!! This event is focused on "betweenagers," youth ages 12-14, and will be held June 23-26, 2019 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the "camp" activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, becoming a leader and activities to energize youth while learning healthy living skills and how to better interact with others.

**Registration closes May 15th, register soon as space is limited.**

Register at: <http://www.cvent.com/events/4-h-campference-2019/event-summary-f76aba5ed6204aa69c361ded907d7037.aspx>

## 4-H Academy \*\* NEW EVENT \*\*

**June 23-26 at Rock Springs 4-H Center**

The 4-H Academy is fun, fast-paced and a great way to build strong, fit mental muscles in a subject that interests you. Explore, learn and ask the experts to satisfy your deeply-rooted curiosity to understand more about the topic. The best part is you choose and register for the pathway that will inspire you at 4-H Academy. Each pathway is created to challenge your critical thinking skills and open new approaches for learning. You'll be amazed and enthused to excel! Nestled in a serene locale, 4-H Academy offers engaging and exciting activities and challenges that will guide you through adventures to the capstone finale where you and your explorer team share exhilarating discoveries.

4-H Academy is for youth 13 years old and older. You do not need to be a 4-H member to register. Registration is open until May 15th or the sessions are full.

**Cost: \$335**

<https://www.kansas4hfoundation.org/4hacademycamp/>

## **Date and Deadlines**

### **April:**

- 15 – Registration Deadline 4-H Discovery Days
- 20 – Rock Creek Royal Spring Show
- 22 – Meet and Greet New 4-H Agent 6:00pm
- 22 – 4-H Council Meeting 7 pm
- 24 – Fair Board meeting, East Building, Onaga, 7 pm

### **May:**

- 1 – Add/Drop 4-H Project Deadline
- 1 – Horse ID papers due to Extension Office
- 1 – State Fair and KJLS Nomination Deadline  
for Steers and Market Heifers
- 7 – 4-H Camper Registration Due to Extension Office
- 7 – 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 8 – Lamb/Meat Goat Weigh-in and Swine/Bucket Calf  
Tagging, Extension Office parking lot, 5-7 pm
- 15 – Deadline for tagging all small livestock and  
commercial heifers for PT co Fair
- 15 – Campference Registration Deadline
- 28-29 – Hazardous Occupation Safety Training
- 29-31 – 4-H Discovery Days
- 31 – Babysitting Clinic, Wamego

### **June:**

- 7 – 4-H Camp Counselors to Rock Springs
- 7-9 – State Geology Trip
- 8-11 – Purple Power Pack 4-H Camp, Rock Springs
- 15 – State Fair and KJLS Nomination Deadline for Swine, Meat Goats,  
Sheep and Commercial Heifers
- 18, 20, 25, 27 – Cooking School, St. Marys
- 20 – SE Area Livestock Judging, Meats and Skillathon Contest, Yates Center
- 23-26 – Campference
- 28 – 4-H Fun and Learning Day, Sunflower room, Westmoreland

### **Pottawatomie County Fair**

- July 26 – Pre-Fair Judging
- July 29 – Fair Grounds Set Up
- July 30 – Horse Show
- July 31 – Foods Judging
- Aug 1-4 – Pottawatomie County Fair

## **Newsletter bonus!**

Question: What do you call a pig that does karate?

Answer: A pork chop!

## Traffic Pattern For Tagging

